

Ohio Revised Code

Section 4731.94 [Repealed effective 4/6/2023 by H.B. 558, 134th General Assembly; see R.C. 3715.50 to 3715.505] Authority to supply overdose reversal drugs.

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- (A) As used in this section and in sections 4731.941, 4731.942, and 4731.943 of the Revised Code:
- (1) "Overdose reversal drug" has the same meaning as in section 4729.01 of the Revised Code.
- (2) "Physician" means an individual authorized under this chapter to practice medicine and surgery, osteopathic medicine and surgery, or podiatric medicine and surgery.
- (B) Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter or rule adopted by the state medical board, a physician may personally furnish a supply of overdose reversal drugs, or issue a prescription for overdose reversal drugs, without having examined the individual to whom it may be administered if both of the following conditions are met:
- (1) The supply is furnished to, or the prescription is issued to and in the name of, a family member, friend, or other individual in a position to assist an individual who there is reason to believe is at risk of experiencing an opioid-related overdose.
- (2) The physician instructs the individual receiving the supply or prescription to summon emergency services as soon as practicable either before or after administering an overdose reversal drug to an individual apparently experiencing an opioid-related overdose.
- (C) A physician who under division (B) of this section in good faith furnishes a supply of overdose reversal drugs or issues a prescription for overdose reversal drugs is not liable for or subject to any of the following for any act or omission of the individual to whom the drugs are furnished or the prescription is issued: damages in any civil action, prosecution in any criminal proceeding, or professional disciplinary action.

